GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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Opening of New Post Offices
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pin Code of the villages does not work in an urban settlement divided into sectors of a village;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to allot designated Pin Code and open new post offices to cater to the needs of lakhs of people residing in the urbanized areas of the villages in NCR region; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including Noida, Greater Noida (West)?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b) The Postal Index Number (PIN) or PIN code is a six-digit numerical code used by the Department of Posts for facilitating sorting and delivery of mail. Each PIN code refers to one of the nine geographical regions created for the purpose; a sub region or a postal circle; a sorting or revenue district and; a delivery post office, which could be either a head post office or a sub post office. Branch post offices, which are primarily located in rural and semi-rural areas are under the jurisdiction of one of the sub post offices or head post offices and no separate PIN code is allotted to them.
Each delivery office delivers the mail directly or through a branch post office within its jurisdiction, which shares the same PIN code. Thus, a PIN code may serve an entirely urban area, an entirely rural area or a combination of both.
(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. Opening of new post offices, including new delivery post offices by relocation and redeployment is an ongoing and continuous activity under taken by the Department of Posts. This is done to handle increased volume of mails at an existing delivery office, to serve new areas or for other operational reasons. During the current financial year (2016-17), a target of seven post offices has been fixed for the National Capital Region (NCR). These include two post offices in New Delhi, three in Haryana and two in Uttar Pradesh at AW HO Township, Gurjinder Nagar, Noida and Sector 122, Noida, both in Gautam Budh Nagar district.

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